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USSR RAILROAD RAIL NETWORKMOINTY-CHU LINE OPENED TO TRAFFIC -- Alma-Ata, Kazakhstanskaya Pravda,
 9 Jan 52

On 5 January 1952, the first long-haul coal train, with 1,300 tons of coal, started from Moindy Station. It reached Brlik on the Turkestan-Siberia System the following day. In all, the trip took a little over 24 hours. The Ministry of Transportation has approved a traffic schedule for the line.

AKMOLINSK-PAVLODAR SECTION STARTS OPERATION -- Alma-Ata, Kazakhstanskaya Pravda,
 17 Feb 52

On 16 February 1952, the Akmolinsk-Pavlodar section was opened to through-train traffic. This line is the connecting link between the northwestern and northeastern parts of the Kazakh SSR.

Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, 23 Feb 52

On 16 January 1952, the first train made the run from Akmolinsk to Pavlodar.

In constructing the line, more than 10 million cubic meters of earth had to be moved, 50,000 cubic meters of reinforced concrete and other material were used for structures along the way, and more than 500 kilometers of main, side, and station track were laid. [see appended sketch].

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AKMOLINSK-KARTALY SECTION TO BE DOUBLE-TRACKED -- Alma-Ata, Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, 16 Dec 51

Laying the second track of the Akmolinsk-Kartaly section and the electrification of the Karaganda-Akmolinsk-Kartaly sections is to be accelerated.

CHARDZHOU-URGENCH LINE IN TEMPORARY OPERATION -- Ashkhabad, Turkmenskaya Iskra, 8 Feb 52

Hundreds of carloads of every type of freight necessary for the construction of the Main Turkmen Canal are being shipped via the Chardzhou-Urgench railroad line. The line is being operated by the Department for the Temporary Operation of the Chardzhou-Urgench Railroad Line.

TRACKS LINK URGENCH AND TAKHIA TASH -- Moscow, Komsomol'skaya Pravda, 5 Mar 52

The main line from Urgench to Takhia Tash, 122 kilometers long, has been completed. Takhia Tash is the center of activities for the construction of the Main Turkmen Canal.

Pravda, 1 Mar 52

Diesel locomotives are operating on the Urgench-Takhia Tash line. Sidings to the construction site are being laid.

FEDOROVKA-KAKHOVKA LINE COMPLETED -- Moscow, Komsomol'skaya Pravda, 9 Feb 52

On 8 February 1952, the Southern Railroad System's Administration for Construction and Reconstruction concluded the tracklaying work on the line from Fedorovka to Kakhovka. The first train with freight for the construction of the Kakhovka GES will leave Fedorovka on 9 February 1952.

Moscow, Pravda, 10 Feb 52

The Fedorovka-Kakhovka line will be opened to regular passenger service in the near future.

TRAFFIC TO KUYBYSHEV HYDROELECTRIC CENTER INCREASES -- Kishinev, Sovetskaya Moldaviya, 7 Feb 52

The flow of freight along the new railroad lines running to the Volga construction project at Zhiguli is increasing. From Syzran', freight trains are running to the right-bank construction area, where the gigantic foundation pit for the hydroelectric station is being excavated. Along the left bank, branch trains are running from Kuybyshev to the new city of Komsomol'sk, where the coffer dam for the lower lock is being built.

During the past 3 days, hundreds of carloads of wood, brick, iron, pre-fabricated houses, coal, bitumen, and other construction materials have arrived, along with new trucks, machinery, excavators, buses, cranes, tractors, concrete mixers, and transformers.

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Stations along the left-bank branch include Poyma, Kana Siding, and Zhigulevskoye More. This 54-kilometer-long line was put into temporary operation only 2 months ago.

Along the 100-kilometer-long right-bank line, put into operation last summer, freight hauling is being increased. Now, there is also regular passenger service along this line.

MOROZOVSKAYA-KUBERLE LINE REBUILT -- Moscow, Gudok, 5 Jan 52

The railroad line Morozovskaya-Tsimlyan-kaya-Kuberle, built 2 years ago and in temporary operation since, has been rebuilt and declared a permanent section of the railroad network. New, heavier rail and impregnated ties have been laid, sand and gravel ballast has been added, and new structures along the way have been built.

RIGA-ERGLI TRAFFIC RESTORED -- Riga, Sovetskaya Latvija, 15 Feb 52

On 14 February 1952, the first passenger train left Riga for Ergli, via the restored track. Regular traffic between Riga and Taurupe has been running for some time. The track from Taurupe to Ergli was recently restored.

[Appended sketch follows.]

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